

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. RA043D2C3C2)

In the Application of:

FARMWALD ET AL.

Serial No: 09/779,296

Filed: February 8, 2001

Title: MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A  
VARIABLE DATA OUTPUT LENGTH

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Group Art Unit: 2818

Before

Examiner: T. Nguyen

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, submitted herewith is a modified Form PTO-1449, including a copy of all of the documents listed therein.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b), in the amount of \$ 180.00 to Applicants' Deposit Account No. 50-09998. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

It is believed that the Examiner may find the documents cited in the modified Form PTO-1449 material to the patentability of one or more of the claims in the above-captioned application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his consideration of these references formally of record with the initial Office Action.

It should be noted that three (3) of the documents listed in the PTO-1449 have been brought to the Applicants' attention by way of the plaintiff in a proceeding pending in U.S. District

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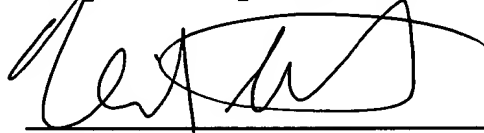
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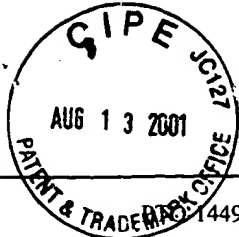
Court for the District of Delaware, namely in Micron Technology Inc. v. Rambus Inc. The plaintiff identified the documents as prior art against the inventions claimed in, among others, U.S. Patent 6,034,918. The '918 Patent is the grandparent patent of the instant Application. The three documents are explicitly listed on pages 40-41 of Appendix B - Micron Technology's Supplemental Response to Interrogatory No. 5 (hereinafter "SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE"). A copy of the SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE is enclosed herewith.

Date: August 8, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

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